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PATENT APPLICATION

IN THE UNITED STATES PATENT AND TRADEMARK OFFICE

In re application of

Kazuhiko OHGA, et al.

Appln. No.: 09/582,495 ✓

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Examiner: H. Reyes

For: PROCESS FOR PRODUCING HYDROGENATED ESTER, HYDROGENATING CATALYST USED THEREFOR AND PROCESS FOR PRODUCING THE CATALYST

AMENDMENT UNDER 37 C.F.R. § 1.111

Commissioner for Patents
Washington, D.C. 20231

Sir:

In response to the Office Action dated December 19, 2001, please amend the above-identified application as follows:

IN THE CLAIMS: ✓

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Please cancel claims 3 and 15-18 without prejudice or disclaimer.

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Please enter the following amended claims:

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4. (Amended) The process for producing a hydrogenated ester according to claim 3, wherein the corresponding hydrogenated ester is a portion or the entirety of the recycled hydrogenated ester which has been produced by the hydrogenation reaction of the unsaturated group-containing ester represented by the general formula (1).